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VIA FACSIMILE (803-896-5246) AND U.S. REGULAR MAIL SERVICE

The Honorable Charles L.A. Terreni
Chief Clerk
South Carolina Public Service Commission
Saluda Building, 101 Executive Center Drive, Suite 100
Columbia, South Carolina 29210

RE: Joint Petition for Arbitration of NewSouth Communications, Corp., NuVox Communications, Inc., KMC Telecom V, Inc., KMC Telecom III LLC, and Xspedius [Affiliates] of an Interconnection Agreement with BellSouth Telecommunications, Inc. Pursuant to Section 252(b) of the Communications Act of 1934, as Amended
Docket No. 2005-57-C, Our File No. 803-10208

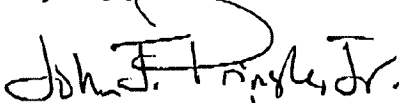
Dear Mr. Terreni:

Enclosed is KMC's Notice of Withdrawal With Prejudice for filing in the above-referenced docket.

Please acknowledge your receipt of this document by file-stamping the copy of this letter enclosed, and returning it via the enclosed self-addressed stamped envelope. If you have any questions or need additional information, please do not hesitate to contact me.

With kind regards, I am

Very truly yours,


John J. Pringle, Jr. by TLM

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cc: Office of Regulatory Staff
all parties of record
Enclosures

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BEFORE
THE PUBLIC SERVICE COMMISSION OF
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DOCKET NO. 2005-57-C

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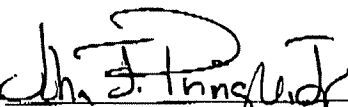
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of NewSouth Communications Corp.,)
NuVox Communications, Inc., KMC)
Telecom V, Inc., KMC Telecom III,)
LLC and Xspedius [Affiliates] for an)
Interconnection Agreement with)
BellSouth Telecommunications, Inc.)
Pursuant to Section 252(b) of the)
Communications Act of 1934, as)
Amended.

**KMC'S NOTICE OF WITHDRAWAL
WITH PREJUDICE**

KMC Telecom III LLC and KMC Telecom V, Inc. (collectively, "KMC"), respectfully serve notice of its withdrawal of its participation, with prejudice,¹ in the Joint Petition by NewSouth Communications Corp., Nuvox Communications, Inc., KMC Telecom V, Inc., KMC Telecom III, LLC, and Xspedius Affiliates (collectively the "Joint Petitioners"), for arbitration of certain issues arising in negotiation of interconnection agreement with BellSouth Telecommunications, Inc. pursuant to 47 U.S.C. Section 252(b) of the Communications Act of 1934, as Amended in the above referenced docket (the "Arbitration"). KMC's withdrawal, with prejudice, applies only to KMC and does not apply to any of the remaining Joint Petitioners in the Arbitration.

¹ KMC's withdrawal shall be considered a dismissal with prejudice of this Arbitration with respect to KMC only and does not apply to the remaining Joint Petitioners.

Respectfully submitted,

By  by TLM
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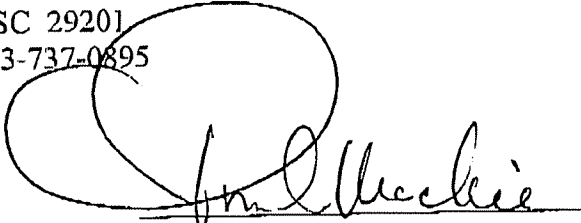
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CERTIFICATE OF SERVICE

This is to certify that I have caused to be served this day, one (1) copy of KMC's Notice of Withdrawal with Prejudice for filing on behalf of KMC only via facsimile and United States Postal Service with proper first-class postage affixed hereto and addressed as follows:

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